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USING COMMUNICATION NETWORK BETWEEN COMPUTERS. AND
METHOD FOR RELAYING INFORMATION FOLLOWING BUYER
CONSUMPTION TRENDS TO THE BUYER**

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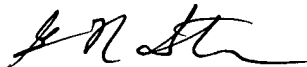
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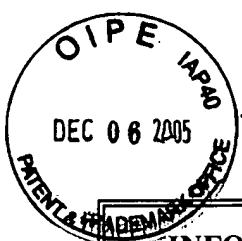
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